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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09481.0004-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Laurette NACAMULLI et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1641
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Application No.: 09/099,048)	Examiner: M. E. Ceperley
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Filed: July 17, 1998)	
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For: RATE MEASUREMENTS OF)	Confirmation No.: 1651
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

RESPONSE

Applicants now respond to the Office Action (*Ex parte Quayle*) mailed June 8, 2005. By virtue of the two-month period for response set by the Examiner, this response is due August 8, 2005, and is timely filed.

The Examiner indicates that a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)(2) is required. See Office Action, page 2. Applicants wish to thank Examiners Ceperley and Dixon for accommodating the telephonic interviews concerning this issue. As advised by Examiner Dixon, Applicants file herewith a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)(2) in compliance with the rules.

The Examiner also indicates that Applicants should clarify on the record exactly which claims are pending in the instant application. See Office Action,

page 2. Applicants hereby respond in the record that claims 1-51, 53-75, and 94-96 are pending in the instant application.

Finally, the Examiner indicates that the previously supplied "cut-up soft copy of the specification in appropriate format as required by MPEP 1411 . . . is presently missing from the electronic file of this application." The Examiner requests that a cut-up soft copy of the specification be provided in appropriate format. Applicants attach with this letter, a cut-up soft copy of the specification in compliance with MPEP § 1411.


In view of the foregoing response, Applicants respectfully request the timely mailing of a Notice of Allowance.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 4, 2005

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